

**Minutes of the Meeting  
State Board of Pharmacy  
November 30, 2021  
Via WebEx**

Members Present:

John Marraffa Jr., Chair  
Nasir Mahmood, Vice Chair  
Claudia Alexander  
Steven Earle  
Debra Feinberg  
Renee Hofman  
Heather King  
Mark Klang  
Michelle Lewis  
Mark Soffing  
Christopher Wallen

Extended Members Present:

Susan Ksiazek  
Maria Mantione  
Daniel Molino  
Frank Sosnowski

NYSED Staff:

Dina Jazrawi, Executive Secretary, State Board for Pharmacy  
Alexander Goh Board office  
Thania Fernandez, State Boards Executive Secretary  
David Hamilton, State Boards Executive Secretary  
Stephanie Maes, Office of the Deputy Commissioner  
David Smith, Office of Professional Discipline  
Kelly Sullivan, Office of Professional Discipline

**Public Session**

1. Motion: Feinberg/Hofman: That the Board convene at 10:08 a.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
2. **Welcome and introduction**: Dina Jazrawi and John Marraffa Jr.
  - Executive Secretary and Board Chairman noted that they have agreed to a new format for the board meetings moving forward by which the Executive Secretary will be walking the group through the agenda of the meeting, allowing the Board Chairman to facilitate discussion around agenda topics.
  - Executive Secretary Jazrawi introduced Steven Earle as the newest public member of the board.
  - Introductions of Board members, State Education Department staff, Department of Health staff (DOH), and audience members.
3. Motion: Mahmood/Feinberg: That the minutes of the August 24, 2021 meeting of the State Board of Pharmacy, be approved. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
4. **Report of the Chair**: John Marraffa Jr.
  - The Chairman encouraged board member participation throughout the meeting and welcomed Steven Earle as the newest public member to the State Board of Pharmacy
5. **Report of the Executive Secretary**: Dina Jazrawi
  - The Board received an update on the proposed regulatory amendments relating to pharmacist licensure examination, licensure by endorsement and pharmacist continuing education requirements in New York State.
  - The Department continues to accept applications for the two Registered Pharmacy Technician vacancies on the State Board.

- The National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) and NYSED entered into a short-term agreement to assist in pharmacy inspections, including sterile compounding inspections.
  - Introduction of OPD's Upstate Pharmacy Consultant, Kelly Sullivan.
  - Legislative update: The Governor signed Bill A.4087 as Chapter 555 of 2021 which takes effect January 31, 2021; the department is in the process of reviewing it to determine the need for regulations.
  - Update on the FDA's Compounding Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
6. **Report of the Part III Committee:** Debra Feinberg
- June 8, 2021 Part III Examination results – 521 total candidates with a pass rate of 69%. There were 321, first time test takers and 200, repeat test takers.
7. **Discussion around USP Revisions Update:** Mark Klang
- Reported on revisions and updates to the revised USP 797 and USP 795 guidelines.
  - Overview of recently published FDA guidance surrounding Section 503A of the FD&C Act.
8. **DOH Presentation and discussion around Expedited Partner Therapy (EPT):** Diane Moore, Salvatore Currenti, Michael McNair
- DOH presentation and discussion with the Board around EPT and methods by which DOH can help to increase familiarity with the program.
9. **Unfinished Business:**
- **Discussion of Pharm Tec Profile for P-12 Students:** Stephanie Maes
    - Revised copy of the Registered Pharmacy Technician profession profile presented and discussed.
  - **Board Member Committee Appointments:** John Marraffa Jr.
    - MPJE Committee: Nasir Mahmood, Debra Feinberg, Mark Klang, Mark Soffing.
    - CDTM Committee: Renee Hofman, John Marraffa Jr., Michelle Lewis.
10. **New Business:**
- **Discussion around revised inspection letter:** Dina Jazrawi
    - Newly revised inspection letter will be sent in advance of upcoming pharmacy inspections
  - **Drug Price Poster:** Nasir Mahmood
    - Few changes were made to the Drug Price Poster.
    - Anticipated to be posted on the Department's webpage by end of next month.
  - **Discussion around proposed By-Law revisions:** John Marraffa Jr.
    - The Board agreed that current By-Laws of the State Board of Pharmacy are outdated in parts.
    - Chairman Marraffa, Vice Chair Mahmood, ES Jazrawi, and an additional ES to review the current By-Laws and share draft recommendations to the State Board for discussion at a future meeting.
11. **Closing Remarks and Adjournment:** John Marraffa Jr. and Dina Jazrawi
- The Board was thanked for its participation at the meeting and wished a Happy Holiday season.
12. Motion: Mahmood/Feinberg: Move to adjourn at 11:56 a.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.